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Docket No.: 059516-0042



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Hamadeh, IHAB, et al. : Confirmation Number: Not Yet Assigned  
Application No.: 10/617,258 :  
Filed: July 11, 2003 : Group Art Unit: 2186  
Examiner: not yet assigned

For: REAL-TIME PACKET TRACEBACK AND ASSOCIATED PACKET MARKING STRATEGIES

**STATUS INQUIRY**

Mail Stop Status  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The above application was filed on July 11, 2003 and subsequently thereafter an Information Disclosure Statement was filed on January 27, 2004. The Official Gazette indicates that an average filing date of applications receiving a first action is September 2, 2003. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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